

the ideal of public service to his fellow citizens. I wish him the best in his retirement.

#### THE HOUSE PASSAGE OF H.R. 592

### HON. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 14, 2013*

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, the House passage of H.R. 592 by the large margin of 354–72 is a substantial statement of support for the houses of worship that have done so much for those suffering in the wake of natural disasters like Superstorm Sandy. It is also a strong affirmation of the constitutionality of the bill.

#### RECOGNIZING WEGMANS FOOD MARKETS, INC.

### HON. TOM REED

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 14, 2013*

Mr. REED. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments and long-standing success of Wegmans Food Markets, Inc. Recently, Wegmans was named 5th in Fortune Magazine's "100 Best Companies to Work For" in 2012.

Since opening their first store in 1916 in Rochester, New York, Wegmans has experienced sustained growth for nearly a century, with a total of 81 store locations and a workforce of over 43,000 Americans. Even during trying economic times, Wegmans continued to grow and has plans to open additional stores, which will add more than 1,500 new jobs to the economy in the near future.

Wegmans exemplifies the American dream of entrepreneurship, and the core reason for the sustained success of this company is their workforce. By providing employees with a positive work environment with opportunities to learn and contribute to the organization, Wegmans is able to share in the success and growth of their employees.

This recognition from Fortune Magazine is just one of many accolades received by Wegmans throughout their long history and I trust there are many more to come. I hope new business owners and entrepreneurs will look to the business practices of Wegmans as an example. Additionally, I would like to thank Wegmans for not only their services to consumers, but also for their contributions to the economy and communities in my district.

#### HONORING CHARLIE DANIELS

### HON. JIM COOPER

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 14, 2013*

Mr. COOPER. Mr. Speaker I rise today to pay tribute to Charlie Daniels, a Tennessean who, through his dedication to supporting our military, has touched the lives of countless servicemembers, veterans and their families.

As an American entertainer, he needs no introduction. As an advocate for our military, he

has no equal. Daniels unites his devotion to those serving our country with his passion for music by visiting our troops wherever they may be stationed around the world to perform concerts at military bases.

In recent years, he has teamed with Lipscomb University in Nashville to salute those who serve through his annual "Scholarship for Heroes" tour. This concert raises awareness and funds for Lipscomb University's Yellow Ribbon Enhancement Program, through which the university offers a tuition-free college education to post-9/11 veterans. His support has helped the school grow its veteran student attendance from 10 to 182 in just over three years.

Today, I join the citizens of my district in honoring Charlie Daniels for his tireless commitment to honoring those who serve and working to ensure that though freedom isn't free, an education for our veterans should be.

#### HONORING TYLER KURT WHEELER

### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 14, 2013*

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Tyler Kurt Wheeler. Tyler is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 314, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Tyler has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Tyler has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned 32 merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Tyler has led his troop in various positions including Senior Patrol Leader and is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow. Tyler has also contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout Project. Tyler designed and led the construction of a walking bridge over a creek in the Parkville Nature Sanctuary in Parkville, Missouri.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Tyler Kurt Wheeler for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF DR. RICHARD H. STULEN

### HON. ERIC SWALWELL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 14, 2013*

Mr. SWALWELL of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Dr. Richard H. Stulen, vice president of Sandia National Laboratories' California laboratory and the Energy, Climate, and Infrastructure Security Mission based in Livermore, California. Dr. Stulen, who recently retired after 36 years of service, spent his career helping to make critical advances in areas of scientific research crucial to our nation's interest and security. Under Dr. Stulen's leadership, Sandia National Laboratory in Livermore has been tasked with conducting research

aimed at ensuring the stewardship of our nation's nuclear weapons, defending the homeland against weapons of mass destruction, and has engaged in hydrogen fuel cell research that has the potential to revolutionize how our nation's transportation system is powered.

Dr. Stulen joined Sandia National Laboratories in 1976, and during his tenure at Sandia Dr. Stulen has played a critical role in the evolution of the research landscape in the Bay Area. In the early 1990s, Dr. Stulen helped initiate one of Sandia's first cooperative-research-and-development agreements (CRADAs) under the Department of Energy's Technology Transfer Initiative. This CRADA led to the formation of the Extreme Ultraviolet Lithography (EUVL) Program and an industry-funded \$300 million, three-lab CRADA with Lawrence Livermore and Lawrence Berkeley national laboratories. This consortium agreement between the three Bay Area national laboratories helped spur further innovation and growth in these research fields within our region.

Before serving in his current role, Dr. Stulen served as Sandia National Laboratories' chief technology officer, as well as chief scientist for Sandia's Nuclear Weapons Program. Dr. Stulen's extensive contributions to science were honored with Lockheed Martin's prestigious NOVA award for Technical Excellence in 1999.

Mr. Speaker, Dr. Stulen has provided outstanding leadership in a variety of research fields that are incredibly important to our national security. I am honored to recognize his decades of leadership in service to Sandia National Laboratories, the research landscape of the San Francisco Bay Area, and to the nation at-large. I wish him the best of luck as he begins this new chapter of his life.

#### RECOGNIZING THE BUSINESS ALLIANCE FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH (BACH)

### HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 14, 2013*

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the Business Alliance for Community Health (BACH), a membership organization of the Eastern Connecticut Health Network (ECHN) which is located in my district. Through its initiatives and extensive corporate partnerships, BACH supports health programs in eastern Connecticut that benefit individuals and families and businesses as well as lower the costs of health care delivery.

Since inception, BACH has helped businesses in my district promote health-related education, including health and wellness and workplace safety. The Alliance has also served as an educational resource to the community on health care changes in the pipeline from the Affordable Care Act. BACH's efforts have also focused on increased awareness of the services and programs of ECHN and its affiliated physicians, which have and continue to provide high quality, cost-effective care. Of additional note, BACH has helped promote local business networking, which has supported a "buy local" campaign.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to recognize BACH's continued contributions to eastern